

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 303

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTING ON CHILDREN PLACED IN OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) On or before July 15,
- 2 2004, and quarterly thereafter, the Department of Children and
- 3 Families shall report, pursuant to section 11-4a of the general statutes,
- 4 to the select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
- 5 matters relating to children and to the Office of the Child Advocate on:
- 6 (1) The number of children the Department of Children and Families
- 7 and the Transition Task Force approved by the United States District
- 8 Court for the district of Connecticut have reviewed for placement in
- 9 residential treatment facilities located out of the state, (2) the number
- of children the department and task force have approved for such
- 11 placement, (3) a summary of reasons why such children were not
- 12 placed in residential treatment facilities in this state, and (4) the
- 13 number of children referred for placement in residential treatment
- 14 facilities located out of the state who were not approved by the
- department and task force for such placement.
- 16 (b) On or before January 15, 2005, the Department of Children and

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- 17 Families shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general
- 18 statutes, to the select committee of the General Assembly having
- 19 cognizance of matters relating to children and to the Office of the Child
- 20 Advocate, on the status of any department plans to enhance residential
- 21 and community services in the state to reduce the number of children
- 22 placed in residential treatment facilities located out of the state.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	from passage

Statement of Purpose:

To monitor the progress of the Department of Children and Families and the United States District Court approved Transition Task Force in reducing the number of children placed in residential treatment facilities located out of the state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]